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In re Application of

Lei Yao : PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Serial No.: 10/720,603 Filed: November 24, 2003

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This is in response to the petition filed June 15, 2006, to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(d).

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, X. Therefor the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Should there be any questions with regard to this letter please contact William R. Dixon, Jr. by letter addressed to the Director, Technology Center 1600, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or by telephone at 571-272-0519 or by facsimile transmission to the Office general facsimile number, 571-273-8300.

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